

Indian Lake Shores Fire District Council Meeting

May 9, 2006

Present: President Pat Giarrusso, Vice President Karla Steele, Treasurer Art Novsam, Secretary Penney Hanson, Council members Jack Bergantini, Jeff Hanson, Lee Petty, Sue Jacobson and Janet Gould.

President Giarrusso called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

I. Treasurer's Report:

Savings 19,059.96

Checking 3,572.25

CD 5,166.72

Total \$27,798.25

Uncollected Taxes \$1,421.07

The tree that was next to Tom Quinn's property was cut down last week. No bill has been received as of yet.

Liability Insurance is due on 5/22. At this time there are no price quotes but there are various insurance firms that are attempting to get quotes. The bill was \$2,000 last year.

The estimate for landscaping the park is \$1,000 to cut, stump and brush cut. The quote for 10-12 evergreen trees is \$70 apiece for 4-5' trees or \$100 apiece for 5-6' trees (planted). The possibility of a fence with shrubbery for behind the swings was discussed. The motion was tabled.

The treasurer will have a rough budget drawn up for the next meeting in preparation of the annual meeting.

The treasurer's report was accepted unanimously on a motion made by Jack Bergantini and seconded by Karla Steele.

II Secretary's Report:

1) The letter to RI DOT in regards to concerns about the Rt1 Project and the letter to Sherman's Sand and gravel in regards to ceasing delivery to ILSFD property on behalf of Eric Slader were written and mailed registered, on April 8th.

2) The ILSFD received a letter requesting a variance for a septic system on Bow & Arrow Trail North, a paper road. It was received on or about April 12th. The letter requested a response within 20 days. A series of phone calls and emails circulated among the council members. The following concerns were forwarded to three parties listed below:

1) Bow & Arrow Trail North is shown as a roadway on the map submitted to RI Department of Environmental Management's Division of Groundwater and ISDS which was forwarded to the ILSFD.

2) ILSFD is in no way responsible for the development of Bow & Arrow Trail North.

3) ILSFD shall not be held responsible for any violations or expenses incurred from using the swampy paper roadway.

This ILSFD response letter was sent registered mail to the RI DEM, the Bessettes and Eugene Spring (the contractor hired to construct the system) on April 28th.

The April 5, 2006 ILSFD minutes were approved, after correction*, unanimously on a motion made by Arthur Novsam and seconded by Karla Steele.

III. Old Business:

1) Walking Path: Jack Bergantini reported that Bob Warren has signed the papers. The papers are now in the hands of SK Town Hall. Jack expects the property to be deeded to ILSFD within the next month or two. He wants specific language in both the bylaws and signage stating no motorized vehicles.

2) 32 Tomahawk Trail South: The council was presented with the rough draft of the lawsuit to be filed against the Slader on behalf of

ILSFD. ILSFD is seeking relief and a restraining order for the North Plat beach and dock.

The meeting was opened to all residents at this time. The residents in attendance were: Ken Spagnoli, Brian Lind, Esther and Richard Diggins, Robin Mello and Paul Giarrusso.

These residents listed above are property owners on the North Plat. They are frustrated with the deteriorating condition of the properties owned by the Sladers. There have been sheds built out of firewood that have windows and doors. These sheds are unsafe and attract vermin. There are piles of debris dumped, haphazardly, around the properties. There are abandoned boat trailers. All of this has been brought to the attention of Building Inspector Russell Brown. There has been no action at this time.

The residents are also concerned by Eric Slader's bizarre behavior. Any discussion with him is confused. He dumps brush and rubbish on his own property. He is not allowed burn permits because he refused to abide by the rules for safe burning. Residents were reminded to call 911 if he lights any of these brush mounds.

A motion was made that ILSFD Council write a letter on behalf of these residents to Steve Alfred, SK Town Manager with a copy sent to the town council addressing the dumping, wood pile structures, unsanitary conditions drawing vermin and the inherent safety

hazards that exist on the property.

The copy of the lawsuit brought by ILSFD against the Sladers was shown to the residents. A civil suit for decreasing property values was discussed by the residents.

IV. New Business

1) A package including the new bylaws, a newsletter and the annual meeting announcement will be bulk mailed to every property owner at the beginning of July. The date for the annual meeting is set for Sunday, August 20th at 3 pm.

2) Janet Gould suggested that the newsletter include a phone number for donating cars. Brian Lind requested putting the suggestion of group recycling in the newsletter.

3) Stuart Westin will be asked to provide the mailing labels for the packages. Arthur Novsam will purchase large envelopes for the mailing. Penney Hanson will write the newsletter and meeting notices. Jeffrey Hanson has printed the bylaws.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 28th at 7:30 at President Giarrusso's home. The first hour will be a work session for ILSFD Council only and the meeting will be open to the public at 8:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Penney Hanson

Secretary ILSFD

***Page 3, item 3 was changed from \$185 to \$180.**